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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues

It is a pleasure to welcome you to the 2012 World Conference on Psychology and Sociology (PSYSOC-2012).

The conference creates a forum where academics, psychologists, sociologists, guidance personnel, counsellors, teachers, as well as graduate and undergraduate students can come together with government and non-government organisations to share and discuss the latest theoretical and practical scientific knowledge about psychology, sociology, counselling and guidance.

In the course of the conference, you will have the opportunity to discuss theoretical and practical issues related to Psychology and Sociology on an international basis, while having the chance to meet and network with expert scholars in these fields.

As the president this year, I welcome the wide variety of papers that focus on major topics in Psychology: Animal Behaviours; Attention and Perception; Clinical Psychology; Cognitive Psychology and Neuroscience; Community Psychology; Cultural Psychology; Development Psychology; Disaster, Crisis and Trauma Psychology; Educational Psychology; Emotion and Motivation; Environmental Psychology; Health Psychology; History of Psychology; Industrial/Organisational Psychology; Language, Reading and Communication; Learning and Memory; Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Concerns; Life Span Psychology; Peace and Conflict; Human Rights and Psychology; Personality and Individual Differences; Professional Issues within Psychology; Psychology and Law; Qualitative Research Methods and Interpretations; Quantitative Research Methods and Statistics; Risk and Safety Psychology, incl. Traffic Psychology; Sensory and Motor Processes; Social and Political Issues In Psychology; Social Psychology; Sports Psychology; Test and Testing; Theory of Psychology; Thinking, Problem Solving and Decision Making, etc.

Also, major Sociology topics that will feature at the conference include Child, Youth and Old Age; Communication and Art; Culture and Changes; Deviance and Social Control; Economy and Development; Education; Ethnic Relations; Human Rights and Collective Good; Gender and Human Rights; Identity, Image and Social Cohesion; Localisation and Globalisation; Organisations, Professions and Work; Political Sociology and Law Issues; Social Security and Public Health; Sociology of Marriage and Family; Sociology

of Population and Migration; Sociology of Religion; Collective Behaviour and Social Movements; Theoretical, Comparative and Historical Studies, etc.

We are delighted by the fact that the conference is growing in international stature every year, and that it is gaining worldwide recognition and exposure. Scholars from all over the world have contributed to PSYSOC-2012. Special thanks are due to all the reviewers, the members of the international editorial board, the publisher, and those involved in technical processes. We would like to thank everyone who contributed to every process to make this conference happen. A total of 645 abstracts or full papers were submitted for this year and each paper has been peer reviewed by reviewers who are specialists in the field concerned. At the end of the review process, a total of 273 high-quality research papers were selected and accepted for oral, poster or virtual presentations.

We trust that you will enjoy the conference.

Best regards

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